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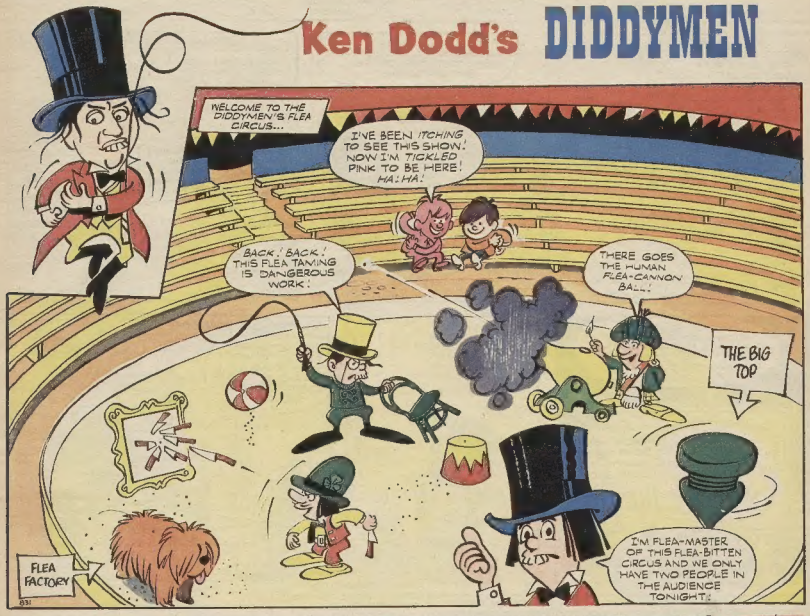
Ken Dodd's DIDDYMEN


WELCOME TO THE DIDDYMEN'S FLEA CIRCUS...
I'VE BEEN ITCHING TO SEE THIS SHOW! NOW I'M TICKLED PINK TO BE HERE! HA! HA!
BACK, BACK! THIS FLEA TAMING IS DANGEROUS WORK!
THERE GOES THE HUMAN FLEA-CANNON BALL...
THE BIG TOP
I'M FLEA-MASTER OF THIS FLEA-BITTEN CIRCUS AND WE ONLY HAVE TWO PEOPLE IN THE AUDIENCE TONIGHT!
FLEA FACTORY
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AFTER THE SHOW...
WE'RE BROKE, BOYS! WE'LL HAVE TO MARCH THROUGH THE STREETS OF KNOTTY ASH AND TRY TO ENCOURAGE PEOPLE TO VISIT OUR FLEA CIRCUS!

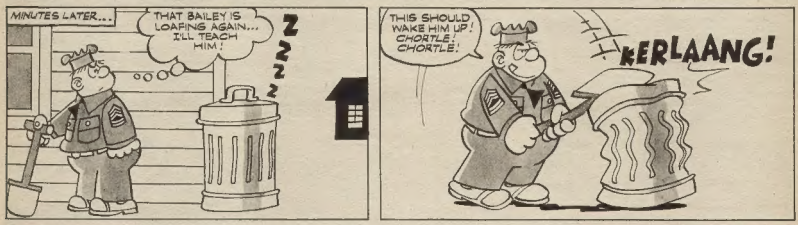
SO THE CIRCUS TROOPS THROUGH KNOTTY ASH...
I'VE JUST STEPPED ON OUR BEST ACT... THE FLEA SWORD SWALLOWER! BOO! HOO!
THIS'LL PULL THE CROWDS IN!
FLEA TICKETS FOR ALL WHO VISIT OUR CIRCUS
DIDDYMEN'S FLEA CIRCUS

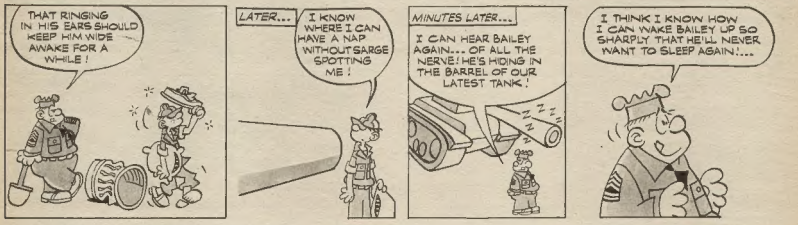
THAT NIGHT...
SCRATCH! SCRATCH!
BOY! OH, BOY! THE MONEY'S ROLLING IN NOW! LITTLE FLEAS ARE BIG BUSINESS!
CLAP! CLAP! CLAP!
THEY THOUGHT THE SHOW WAS GREAT... WE'LL MAKE A FORTUNE EVERY NIGHT NOW!
HUH! THEY GET ALL THE PRAISE AND WE DO ALL THE WORK! LET'S GO ON STRIKE UNTIL THE DIDDYMEN PAY US MORE MONEY!
WHEN THE AUDIENCE HAVE LEFT...
WE'VE GOT A FLEA REVOLT ON OUR HANDS... DRIVE 'EM BACK!
BE FAIR TO FLEAS
YOU LOT ARE PRETTY REVOLTING TOO! BOO!
IF YOU DON'T INCREASE OUR WAGES FROM A HALFPENNY A WEEK TO TWOPENCE WE'LL GO ON STRIKE!
YOU CAN GO ON STRIKE ... SEE HOW FAR IT'LL GET YOU! WE'RE NOT PAYING YOU ANY MORE MONEY!
SO THE FLEAS GO TO TOWN AND DEMAND JUSTICE...
POOR FLEAS! FANCY THEM BEING UNDER-PAID!
WE DEMAND A PENNY HALFPENNY A WEEK INCREASE
HELP US FIGHT DIDDYMEN
HELP FLEAS FIGHT FOR FAIR WAGES
LET'S HELP THEM!
WE ASK ALL FLEAS FROM EVERY DOG'S COAT, HAIRY MATE AND HORSE'S TAIL IN KNOTTY ASH TO HELP US AGAINST THE DIDDYMEN!
OOH! WHY DON'T THEY STOP MOANIN' AND COME BACK TO WORK?
I KNOW! WE'LL DO OUR OWN CIRCUS ACTS... LET'S START PRACTISING!
SO, AFTER HOURS OF PRACTISE...
YOU BOYS ARE BETTER TO WATCH THAN FLEAS... I'LL GO AND GET SOME CUSTOMERS FROM THE TOWN!
BUT BEFORE DICKY CAN LEAVE, EVERY FLEA IN KNOTTY ASH ARRIVES...
WE'VE COME TO GET REVENGE ON YOU FOR BULLYING OUR MATES!
FLEE! FLEA FOR YOUR LIVES, LADS!
WE'VE DECIDED TO OPEN A DIDDYMEN CIRCUS AND PAY YOU EACH TWOPENCE PER WEEK! HA! HA!
HA! HA!
WHAT A SHOW!
BE FAIR TO DIDDYMEN
WHOOPEE!

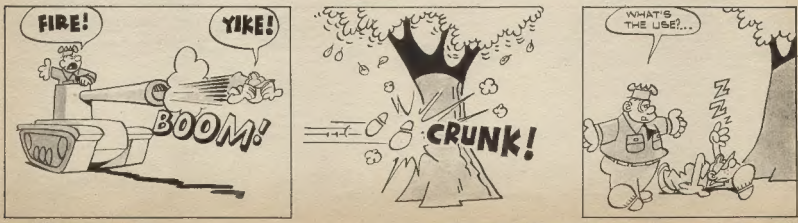
Be at the ring-side for the Tickleweight Championship Fight, next week!

BEETLE BAILEY

WAKE UP, BAILEY! YOU LAZY SOLDIER!
I'LL TRY NOT TO LET IT HAPPEN AGAIN, SARGE... I'M ALWAYS TIRED THESE DAYS!
IF I CATCH YOU AGAIN, YOU'LL BE FOR IT!
A LITTLE LATER...
I'LL MAKE MYSELF COMFY IN HERE... IT'S A GOOD HIDING PLACE!




THAT RINGING IN HIS EARS SHOULD KEEP HIM WIDE AWAKE FOR A WHILE!
LATER...
I KNOW WHERE I CAN HAVE A NAP WITHOUT SARGE SPOTTING ME!
MINUTES LATER...
I CAN HEAR BAILEY AGAIN... OF ALL THE NERVE! HE'S HIDING IN THE BARREL OF OUR LATEST TANK!
I THINK I KNOW HOW I CAN WAKE BAILEY UP SO SHARPLY THAT HE'LL NEVER WANT TO SLEEP AGAIN!...



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Next week Cookie tries to make the men eat his meals!

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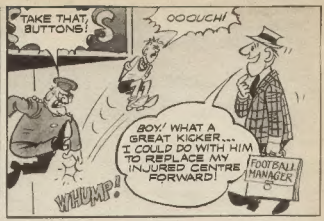
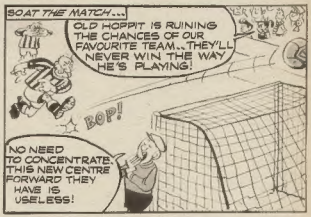
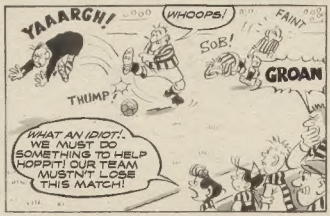

TAKE THAT, BUTTONS!
OOOUCH!
BOY! WHAT A GREAT KICKER... I COULD DO WITH HIM TO REPLACE MY INJURED CENTRE FORWARD!
FOOTBALL MANAGER
WHUMP!

SIGN HERE! I WANT YOU TO PLAY CENTRE FORWARD IN MY TEAM FOR THIS SATURDAY'S MATCH!
CONTRACT
WHOOPEE! I'LL BE A FAMOUS FOOTBALL STAR!


SO AT THE MATCH...
OLD HOPPIT IS RUINING THE CHANCES OF OUR FAVOURITE TEAM... THEY'LL NEVER WIN THE WAY HE'S PLAYING!
BOP!
NO NEED TO CONCENTRATE. THIS NEW CENTRE FORWARD THEY HAVE IS USELESS!

LATER, HOPPIT HAS TO TAKE A PENALTY...
I'LL SHOW EVERYBODY WHAT A GREAT KICKER I AM WITH THIS PENALTY SHOT!
SILLY ME... DROPPING MY WHISTLE!



SO AT HALF-TIME...
I DON'T KNOW WHAT'S WRONG WITH MY KICKING... I CAN'T SEEM TO CONCENTRATE ON THE BALL!
DON'T WORRY! MY PLAN WILL HELP YOU AND THE TEAM TO VICTORY!

I'LL DRAW MY FACE ON THE BALL... THAT'LL MAKE YOU KICK IT GOOD AND HARD!
WHAT A GREAT IDEA! IT'LL BE EASY TO CONCENTRATE ON THE BALL NOW!

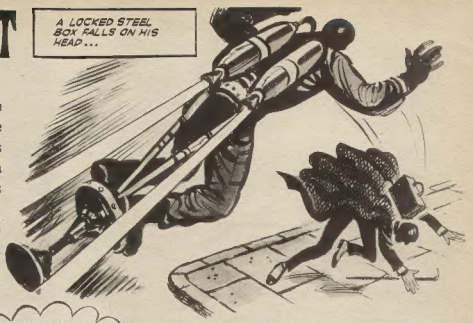
Hoppit's heading for misfortune next week, when Monica becomes a fortune teller!

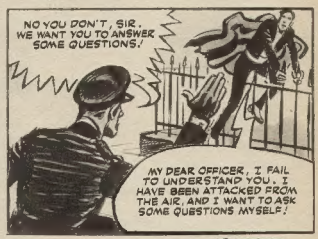
MIGHTY MOTH
HALLO, UNCLE! MY MA SENT ME WITH THIS NOTE!
OUCH! WHY IT'S MY DEAR LITTLE NEPHEW 'ORRIBLE OSWALD!
EEEK!
WHAT'S THE MATTER, DAD?
OSWALD TAKES HIS EXAMS TODAY AND IF HE FAILS HE'LL BE COMING TO THE SCHOOL ROUND THE CORNER AND HAVING HIS DINNERS WITH US!
HE'S TOO DIM TO PASS, MOTHY, YOU'LL HAVE TO HELP HIM, OTHERWISE HE'LL MAKE OUR LIVES A MISERY!
I HAVE AN IDEA, DAD!
SO, OSWALD SITS HIS EXAM AND MIGHTY MOTH LOOKS AT THE ANSWERS...
(WHISPER) NEXT QUESTION — WHO WON THE BATTLE OF HASTINGS?
LET ME SEE... OOPS! I'VE SPILT THE INK!
INK
OH, DEAR, NOW I WON'T BE ABLE TO READ THE ANSWERS. I'LL HAVE TO TRY TO REMEMBER THEM!
WHO WON THE BATTLE OF HASTINGS?
ER... FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE.
WHO INVENTED THE STEAM ENGINE?
ER... KING CANUTE!
WHO DISCOVERED AMERICA?
LET ME SEE NOW.. JAMES WATT!
LATER...
YOU FAILED OF COURSE, OSWALD, BUT YOU WERE EVEN WORSE THAN USUAL!
NEVER MIND, I'LL BE ABLE TO HAVE DINNER WITH UNCLE AT MY NEW SCHOOL!
SO...!
IT'S GREAT COMING HERE EVERY DAY, UNCLE!
OUCH! THIS IS YOUR FAULT, MIGHTY MOTH!

You'll rattle with laughter when Dad looks after a baby next week!

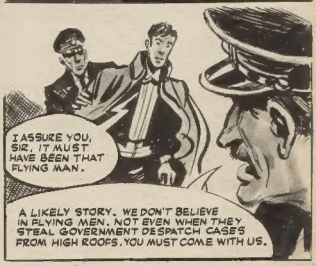
ADAM ADAMANT

WALKING in London one evening, Adam is astounded when a flying man passes over his head. Adam is aware of a sensation of great heat . . . and then . . .




NO YOU DON'T, SIR. WE WANT YOU TO ANSWER SOME QUESTIONS!
MY DEAR OFFICER, I FAIL TO UNDERSTAND YOU. I HAVE BEEN ATTACKED FROM THE AIR, AND I WANT TO ASK SOME QUESTIONS MYSELF!

THIS IS THE MAN, SIR. HE WAS TRYING TO BREAK INTO ANOTHER BUILDING WHEN I CAUGHT HIM.
GOOD FOR YOU, JOHNSON. MAYBE HE'LL EXPLAIN HOW HE BROKE INTO THE STRONG ROOM ON THE ROOF OF THAT HIGH GOVERNMENT BUILDING.


I ASSURE YOU, SIR, IT MUST HAVE BEEN THAT FLYING MAN.
A LIKELY STORY. WE DON'T BELIEVE IN FLYING MEN. NOT EVEN WHEN THEY STEAL GOVERNMENT DESPATCH CASES FROM HIGH ROOFS. YOU MUST COME WITH US.

NOT IF I CAN HELP IT, MY FRIEND. WHILE YOU ARE TAKING ME TO THE STATION, THE REAL CULPRIT IS GETTING AWAY. I KNOW SOMETHING YOU DON'T...

I KNOW NOW WHAT HIT ME... IT MUST HAVE BEEN THAT DESPATCH CASE... AND I HEARD IT CLATTER INTO THAT BASEMENT AREA. WHEN I HAVE THROWN THESE CHAPS OFF THE TRAIL I WILL GET IT...

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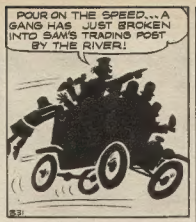
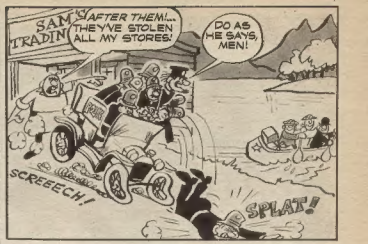
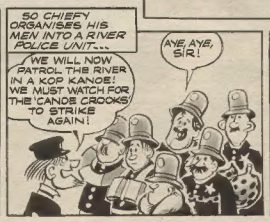
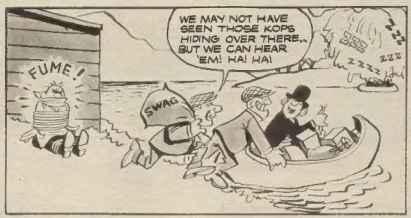
featuring

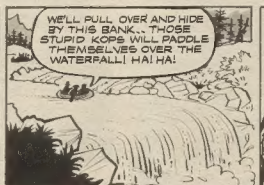
The Keystone Kops

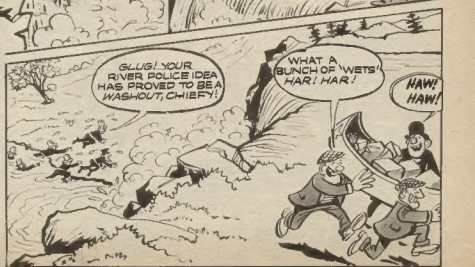





SO CHIEFY ORGANIBES HIS MEN INTO A RIVER POLICE UNIT...
WE WILL NOW PATROL THE RIVER IN A KOP KANOE! WE MUST WATCH FOR THE 'CANDS CROOKS! TO STRIKE AGAIN!
AYE AYE, SIR!







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Kop another load of krazy kapers from the Keystone Kops, next week!

AN enemy power is using a magnetic device set below a small area of the Arizona Desert to crash American jets. Dr. Who discovers their hide-out and contacts the Americans by 'walkie-talkie' asking for a jet packed with explosives to be sent over the magnetic area so that it will crash and destroy the underground control room...

THE PLANE PACKED WITH EXPLOSIVES WILL BE ON ITS WAY BY NOW... IF IT EXPLODES WHILE I'M IN THIS CAVE IT WILL KILL THE ENEMY SOLDIERS WHO ARE HOT ON MY HEELS AND ME!

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE DOCTOR'S INSTRUCTIONS THE AMERICANS HAVE SENT THE PLANE CONTAINING EXPLOSIVES TOWARDS THE MAGNETIC AREA BY RADIO CONTROL...

OUR SCANNERS ARE PICKING UP AN AMERICAN PLANE APPROACHING US!

IN THE FOREIGN CONTROL ROOM, BELOW GROUND...

WHILE MY MEN HUNT THE INTRUDER IN THE CAVES... I WILL BRING DOWN THE AMERICAN PLANE WHICH APPROACHES.

IT IS NOT THE SAME PLANE AS THE JET THEY HAVE BEEN TESTING, BUT IF THEY CONSIDER IT WORTH SENDING UP IT MUST BE WORTH DESTROYING!

PULL DOWN TO ACTIVATE MAGNETIC DRAG

MEANWHILE, AT THE NEARBY AMERICAN AIR-BASE...

THE PLANE IS PITCHING INTO ITS DEATH DIVE... THE FOREIGNERS HAVE SWALLOWED THE BAIT AND DECIDED TO DESTROY IT!

I JUST HOPE THE EXPLOSION DOESN'T KILL THE DOCTOR ALONG WITH THEM!

MEANWHILE...

THERE'S NO WAY OUT... I MUST HAVE TRAVELLED MILES DOWN THIS CAVE FROM THE CONTROL ROOM IN SEARCH OF A CRACK TO SQUEEZE THROUGH!

SECONDS LATER THE PLANE CRASHES...

WHUUMPH

BELOW GROUND THE EXPLOSION REACHES THE CONTROL ROOM...

A-A-A-H! SABOTAGE!... THE PLANE MUST'VE CONTAINED EXPLOSIVES!

THE FORCE OF THE BLAST SPREADS INTO THE CAVES, ENGULFING THE ENEMY SOLDIERS SEARCHING FOR THE DOCTOR...

THE CAVE'S FALLING IN!

AH!

UH!

FURTHER ALONG THE CAVE...

I'VE TURNED MY ROCKET PACK OFF TO SAVE FUEL... BUT IT DOESN'T LOOK AS THOUGH I'LL BE GOING ANYWHERE!

LATER...

I'VE SURVIVED!... I MUST HAVE BEEN FAR ENOUGH AWAY FROM THE CONTROL ROOM TO MISS THE WORST EFFECTS OF THE BANG!

THE EXPLOSION HAS CRACKED THE ROOF OF THE CAVE... WITH ANY LUCK I SHOULD BE ABLE TO GET OUT THROUGH IT!

HALLO THERE! LOOKING FOR ME?

IT'S THE DOCTOR... HE'S ALIVE!

MY COUNTRY IS MORE THAN GRATEFUL... THANKS TO YOU THE JET TESTS CAN CONTINUE IN SAFETY!

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A sensational new Dr. Who adventure starts next week: Flower Power!

AHOY! DON'T MISS YOUR 'JET SPEEDBOAT'

ONLY 9'9D PLUS ONE PACKET TOP

✻ NEW FROM AMERICA ✻ ELECTRIC MOTOR
✻ QUICK-TO-ASSEMBLE KIT ✻ MOVING RUDDER
✻ POWERED BY HIGH-SPEED WATER JET

Cast off and steer for your favourite grocer's shop. You'll sight full details of how to get your 'Jet Speedboat' on the stern of each of these packets.

Kellogg's

RICE KRISPIES • FROSTIES • CRISPY WHEAT • RAISIN BRAN

How old is the game of football?

IN *1347*, in the reign of Edward III, an order was made by the king prohibiting the game of football as it interfered with the practice of *archery*. This is the first undisputed mention of the game although some historians think that a form of football was played by the ancient Greeks and Romans.

The inset shows Edward III as he appears on his tomb in Westminster Abbey.

How to make a secret compass

YOU will need a screwtop fountain pen with a metal pocket clip. Magnetise this clip with a magnet by stroking it one way only with one pole of the magnet, then tie a piece of thread round the pen and let it hang free. The magnetised clip will spin round and round to begin with and then finally come to rest facing north.

This device was used during the war by agents dropped into France to join the French Resistance.

How hoar-frost is formed

DURING the day, earth and all the things on it, radiate heat which warms up the air. When the earth cools at night *water vapour* in the air condenses into droplets of water which forms *dew*.

If it is very cold these droplets will freeze to form *hoar-frost*.

How to make longer-lasting soap bubbles

TAKE a piece of soap and make a strong lather in hot water. Leave the water to get cold then add about half as much glycerine as you have water.

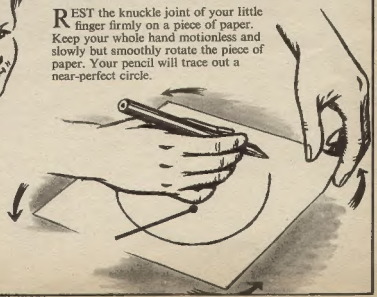
Stir, then fill your bubble pipe and blow. This solution will make strong bubbles that will float around for a long time—even longer if the air is still.

How long can a fish live?

CARP, which are fresh water fish of the same family as gold-fish and silver-fish have been known to live for as long as 200 years.

They are thought to have come originally from Asia where they were bred in monastery fish-ponds for consumption by the monks.

How to draw a near-perfect circle without a compass



REST the knuckle joint of your little finger firmly on a piece of paper. Keep your whole hand motionless and slowly but smoothly rotate the piece of paper. Your pencil will trace out a near-perfect circle.

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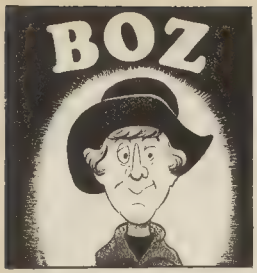

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NOT JUST A SKATE...

PACEMAKER

REALLY SETS THE PACE!

Once you've put on your PACEMAKERS you find out what roller skating really is! Zoom away and ahead of the rest with the finest, fastest skates in the world. PACEMAKER . . . really sets the pace!

DAVIES

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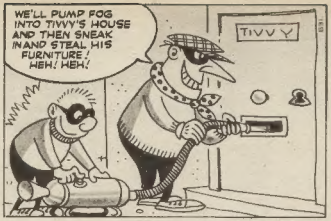
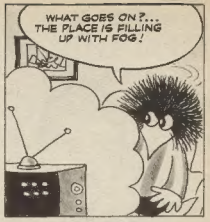
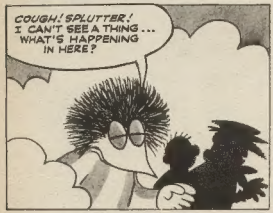
Do you know about **JUMPING JACKS?** Defy the laws of gravity with these spring skates that set you leaping and bounding with moonman ease!

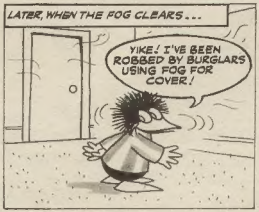
Tivvy

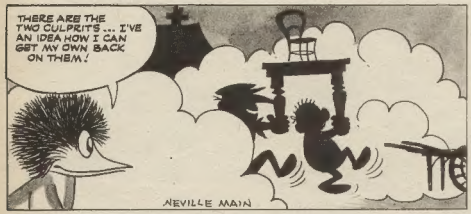
Tivvy created by Atelier Fauni, Finland

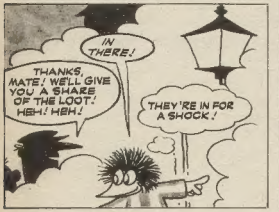


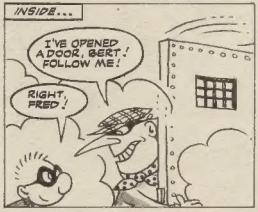


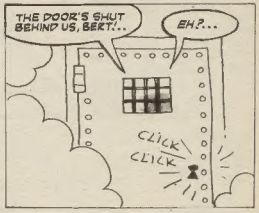


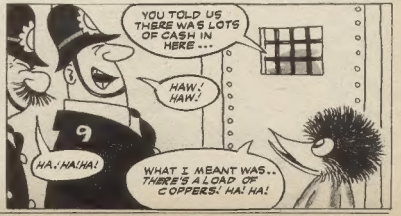












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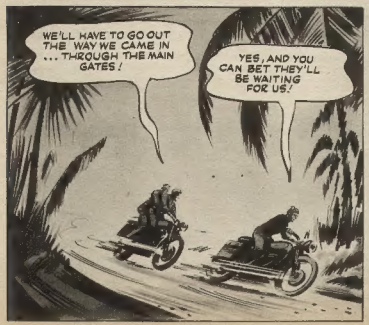
ORLANDO

ORLANDO and Steve are trying to rescue Professor Wallace, a British weapons' scientist, from a well-guarded fort near the North African coast. Steve is about to be killed and is unaware that Orlando is not far away . . .



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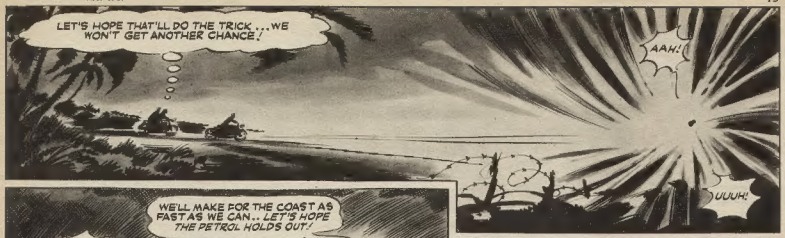
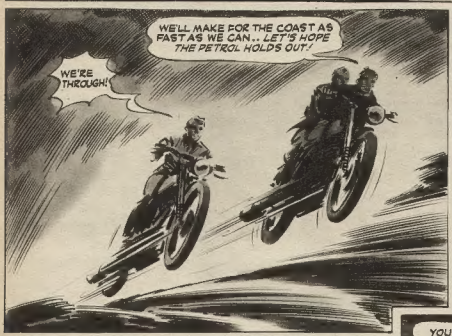
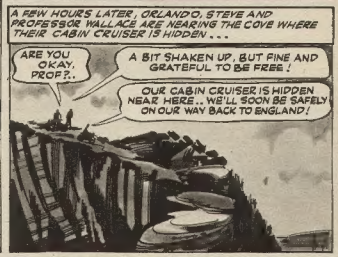
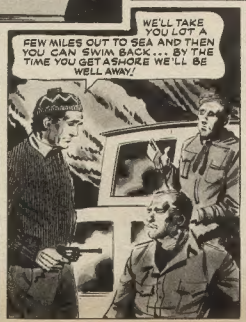





A FEW HOURS LATER, ORLANDO, STEVE AND PROFESSOR WALLACE ARE NEARING THE COVE WHERE THEIR CABIN CRUISER IS HIDDEN ...
ARE YOU OKAY, PROF?..
A BIT SHAKEN UP, BUT FINE AND GRATEFUL TO BE FREE!
OUR CABIN CRUISER IS HIDDEN NEAR HERE.. WE'LL SOON BE SAFELY ON OUR WAY BACK TO ENGLAND!

BUT WHEN THEY REACH THE BOAT...
ONE OF OUR HELICOPTERS SURVIVED YOUR LITTLE RAID SO WE HOPPED AHEAD OF YOU AND REACHED YOUR BOAT FIRST...
I CAN'T SAY WE'RE GLAD TO SEE YOU!



I'D LIKE TO THANK YOU BOTH FOR RESCUING ME BEFORE THEY MANAGED TO FORCE ME TO DISCLOSE ANY SECRETS!
PLEASURE, PROFESSOR! THE BRITISH SECRET SERVICE WILL BE GLAD TO HAVE YOU BACK!

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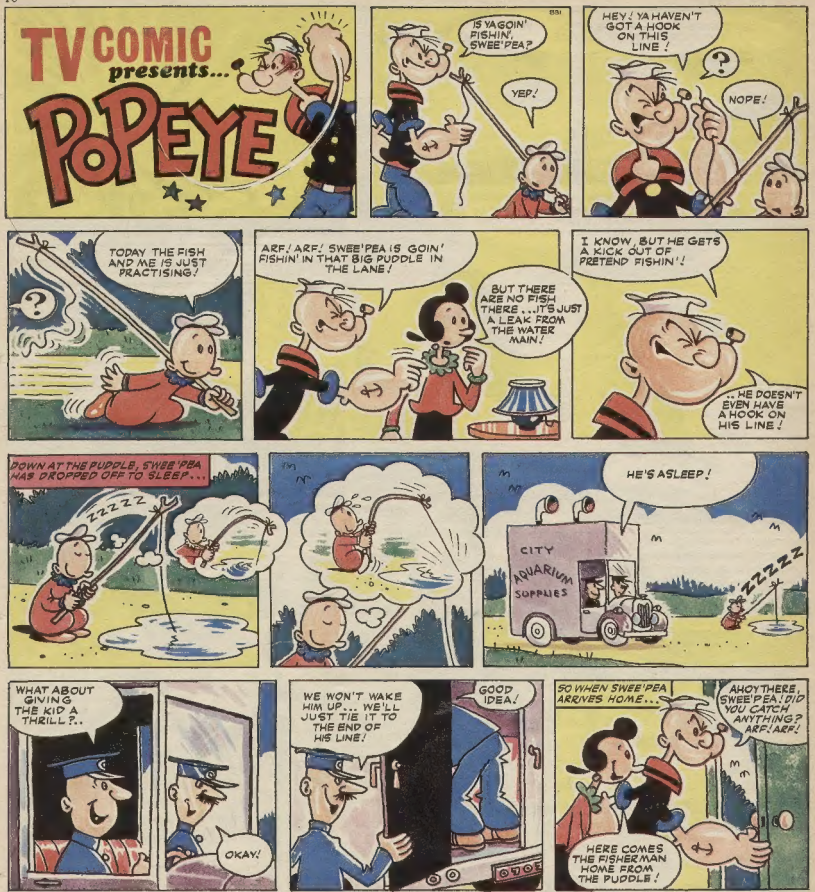
TV COMIC
presents...
POPEYE
IS YAGOIN' FISHIN', SWEE'PEA?
YEP!
HEY! YA HAVEN'T GOT A HOOK ON THIS LINE!
NOPE!
TODAY THE FISH AND ME IS JUST PRACTISING!
ARF! ARF! SWEE'PEA IS GOIN' FISHIN' IN THAT BIG PUDDLE IN THE LANE!
BUT THERE ARE NO FISH THERE... IT'S JUST A LEAK FROM THE WATER MAIN!
I KNOW, BUT HE GETS A KICK OUT OF PRETEND FISHIN'!
.. HE DOESN'T EVEN HAVE A HOOK ON HIS LINE!
DOWN AT THE PUDDLE, SWEE'PEA HAS DROPPED OFF TO SLEEP...
ZZZZZ
HE'S ASLEEP!
CITY AQUARIUM SUPPLIES
ZZZZZ
WHAT ABOUT GIVING THE KID A THRILL?..
OKAY!
WE WON'T WAKE HIM UP... WE'LL JUST TIE IT TO THE END OF HIS LINE!
GOOD IDEA!
SO WHEN SWEE'PEA ARRIVES HOME...
AHOY THERE, SWEE'PEA! DID YOU CATCH ANYTHING? ARF! ARF!
HERE COMES THE FISHERMAN HOME FROM THE PUDDLE!
I HOPES YOU PEOPLES LIKE MY OCTOPUSSY!